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**PATENT APPLICATION**  
**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

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Takashi AMANO

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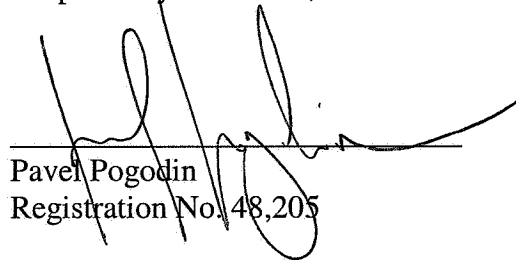
**STATUS INQUIRY**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

The undersigned respectfully requests to be advised of the status of the above-identified application.

Respectfully submitted,



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